

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI**

JOHN BARNHARDT, et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
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and)	
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	Civil Action No. 4:65-cv-01300-HTW-LRA
)	1300(E)
Plaintiff-Intervenor,)	
)	
v.)	
)	
MERIDIAN MUNICIPAL SEPARATE)	
SCHOOL DISTRICT, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
)	

MOTION TO WITHDRAW COUNSEL

Counsel for Private Plaintiffs John Barnhardt, et al. respectfully moves this Court for an order granting this motion to withdraw Kristen A. Johnson as counsel of record for Plaintiffs in the above-captioned case. Ms. Johnson will no longer be a member of the staff of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (“LDF”) as of March 10, 2022.

Fred L. Banks, Jr. of Phelps Dunbar LLP and Natasha Merle and John S. Cusick of LDF will continue to represent Plaintiffs in this matter.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of March, 2022.

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